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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action of May 16, 2006, the period for response extended to expire after October 16, 2006, for the above-identified application. Applicants respectfully requests entry of the herewith-submitted amendments and remarks. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the application in light remarks made herein.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 23 of this paper.

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